

CONSTRUCTION INDICATORS

Residential Building Permits

Commercial Building Permits

Total Permits (Residential + Commercial)

January 2004	YTD 2004	YTD 2003	CITY	January 2004	YTD 2004	YTD 2003	January 2004	YTD 2004	YTD 2003
\$ 413,042.00	\$ 413,042.00	\$ 311,505.00	Alamo	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,174,340.00	\$ 413,892.00	\$ 413,892.00	\$ 1,485,845.00
\$ 10,199,141.00	\$ 10,199,141.00	\$ 10,748,597.00	Brownsville	\$ 4,091,236.00	\$ 4,091,236.00	\$ 11,216,143.00	\$ 14,290,377.00	\$ 14,290,377.00	\$ 21,964,740.00
\$ 1,062,300.00	\$ 1,062,300.00	\$ 63,000.00	Donna	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 14,400.00	\$ 40,700.00	\$ 1,076,700.00	\$ 1,076,700.00	\$ 103,700.00
\$ 5,104,247.00	\$ 5,104,247.00	\$ 3,628,267.00	Edinburg	\$ 417,850.00	\$ 417,850.00	\$ 1,439,669.00	\$ 5,522,097.00	\$ 5,522,097.00	\$ 5,067,936.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	Elsa	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00
\$ 4,989,969.00	\$ 4,989,969.00	\$ 1,661,729.00	Harlingen	\$ 4,536,200.00	\$ 4,536,200.00	\$ 400,689.00	\$ 9,526,169.00	\$ 9,526,169.00	\$ 2,062,418.00
\$ 475,055.00	\$ 475,055.00	\$ 585,850.00	Hidalgo	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 282,500.00	\$ 1,125,055.00	\$ 1,125,055.00	\$ 868,350.00
\$ 57,200.00	\$ 57,200.00	\$ 133,545.00	La Feria	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 112,738.00	\$ 57,200.00	\$ 57,200.00	\$ 246,283.00
\$ 272,000.00	\$ 272,000.00	\$ 206,836.00	La Joya	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 272,000.00	\$ 272,000.00	\$ 206,836.00
\$ 19,200.00	\$ 19,200.00	\$ 137,321.00	Los Fresnos	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 19,200.00	\$ 19,200.00	\$ 183,321.00
\$ 8,047,247.00	\$ 8,047,247.00	\$ 5,699,170.00	McAllen	\$ 12,326,600.00	\$ 12,326,600.00	\$ 9,537,958.00	\$ 20,373,847.00	\$ 20,373,847.00	\$ 15,237,128.00
\$ 473,012.00	\$ 473,012.00	\$ 360,092.00	Mercedes	\$ 730,000.00	\$ 730,000.00	\$ 223,000.00	\$ 1,203,012.00	\$ 1,203,012.00	\$ 583,092.00
\$ 10,805,122.00	\$ 10,805,122.00	\$ 6,872,826.00	Mission	\$ 4,125,477.00	\$ 4,125,477.00	\$ 476,918.00	\$ 14,930,599.00	\$ 14,930,599.00	\$ 7,349,744.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Olmito	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 986,343.00	\$ 986,343.00	\$ 366,812.00	Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 986,343.00	\$ 986,343.00	\$ 366,812.00
\$ 28,425.00	\$ 28,425.00	\$ 235,097.00	Palm Valley	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,425.00	\$ 28,425.00	\$ 235,097.00
\$ 3,173,109.00	\$ 3,173,109.00	\$ 2,424,269.00	Pharr	\$ 719,719.00	\$ 719,719.00	\$ 200,976.00	\$ 3,892,828.00	\$ 3,892,828.00	\$ 2,625,245.00
\$ 220,806.00	\$ 220,806.00	\$ 113,347.00	Port Isabel	\$ 17,150.00	\$ 17,150.00	\$ 436,140.00	\$ 237,956.00	\$ 237,956.00	\$ 549,487.00
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Progreso	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 187,198.00	\$ 187,198.00	\$ 132,870.00	Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 187,198.00	\$ 187,198.00	\$ 132,870.00
\$ 104,825.00	\$ 104,825.00	\$ 42,854.00	Raymondville	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 106,825.00	\$ 106,825.00	\$ 117,854.00
\$ 157,000.00	\$ 157,000.00	\$ 220,000.00	Rio Grande City	\$ 2,363,000.00	\$ 2,363,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,520,000.00	\$ 2,520,000.00	\$ 220,000.00
\$ 87,228.00	\$ 87,228.00	\$ -	Rio Hondo	\$ 31,148.00	\$ 31,148.00	\$ -	\$ 118,376.00	\$ 118,376.00	\$ -
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Roma	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 583,408.00	\$ 583,408.00	\$ 629,700.00	San Benito	\$ 1,891,991.00	\$ 1,891,991.00	\$ 187,000.00	\$ 2,475,399.00	\$ 2,475,399.00	\$ 816,700.00
\$ 2,678,457.00	\$ 2,678,457.00	\$ 462,750.00	San Juan	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 277,000.00	\$ 2,743,457.00	\$ 2,743,457.00	\$ 739,750.00
\$ 874,499.00	\$ 874,499.00	\$ 621,720.00	South Padre	\$ 88,635.00	\$ 88,635.00	\$ 709,359.00	\$ 963,134.00	\$ 963,134.00	\$ 1,331,079.00
\$ 1,113,838.00	\$ 1,113,838.00	\$ 1,405,890.00	Weslaco	\$ 175,811.00	\$ 175,811.00	\$ 1,150,134.00	\$ 1,289,649.00	\$ 1,289,649.00	\$ 2,556,024.00
\$ 52,112,671.00	\$ 52,112,671.00	\$ 37,314,047.00	TOTALS	\$ 32,247,067.00	\$ 32,247,067.00	\$ 27,986,264.00	\$ 84,359,738.00	\$ 84,359,738.00	\$ 65,300,311.00

TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS

Passenger and Pedestrian Bridge Crossings to Mexico

Rio Grande Valley Airline Boardings

	Brownsville	McAllen/ Hidalgo	Progreso	RGC	Roma	Los Indios	Pharr	Total
January 2004	2,690,140	1,222,096	381,494	52,954	101,409	261,406	389,559	5,099,058
YTD 2004	2,690,140	1,222,096	381,494	52,954	101,409	261,406	389,559	5,099,058
January 2003	2,764,974	1,159,981	381,546	53,259	106,679	226,647	339,277	5,032,365
YTD 2003	2,764,974	1,159,981	381,546	53,259	106,679	226,647	339,277	5,032,365

	Brownsville	Harlingen	McAllen	Total
January 2004	4,985	30,361	24,521	59,867
YTD 2004	4,985	30,361	24,521	59,867
January 2003	4,598	31,311	22,518	58,427
YTD 2003	4,598	31,311	22,518	58,427

FINANCIAL INDICATORS

Bank Deposits

	January 2004	January 2003
Alamo	\$ 227,852,553.00	\$ 195,924,160.00
Brownsville	\$ 2,068,503,838.00	\$ 1,860,663,050.00
Donna	\$ 56,770,557.00	\$ 33,486,816.00
Edinburg	\$ 600,961,341.00	\$ 490,462,396.00
Elsa	\$ 152,002,316.00	\$ 141,663,647.00
Harlingen	\$ 846,114,715.00	\$ 807,969,829.00
Hidalgo	\$ 215,073,720.00	\$ 188,926,348.00
La Feria	\$ 34,564,947.00	\$ 30,515,621.00
La Joya	\$ 103,442,643.00	\$ 10,224,647.00
Los Fresnos	\$ 21,731,296.00	\$ 19,332,000.00
McAllen	\$ 3,477,269,825.00	\$ 3,389,353,846.00
Mercedes	\$ 98,607,675.00	\$ 96,583,971.00
Mission	\$ 651,871,559.00	\$ 662,621,945.00
Olmito	\$ 31,473,503.00	\$ 25,849,036.00
Palmhurst	\$ -	\$ -
Palm Valley	\$ 16,545,928.00	\$ 16,448,076.00
Pharr	\$ 436,775,525.00	\$ 363,534,324.00
Port Isabel	\$ 75,778,896.00	\$ 68,326,679.00
Progreso	\$ 4,893,720.00	\$ 3,528,668.00
Rancho Viejo	\$ -	\$ -
Raymondville	\$ 74,140,375.00	\$ 84,397,034.00
Rio Grande City	\$ 212,459,560.00	\$ 202,755,266.00
Rio Hondo	\$ 6,522,000.00	\$ 6,676,000.00
Roma	\$ 123,935,152.00	\$ 125,986,458.00
San Benito	\$ 171,038,948.00	\$ 160,013,683.00
San Juan	\$ 40,788,051.00	\$ 39,021,175.00
South Padre	\$ 125,783,629.00	\$ 119,121,079.00
Weslaco	\$ 290,157,319.00	\$ 291,812,834.00
Totals	\$ 10,165,059,591.00	\$ 9,435,198,588.00

Wage & Salary Employment (non-agricultural)

January	Cameron Co.	Hidalgo Co.
2004 Manufacturing	9,700	9,300
2003 Manufacturing	10,500	10,100
2004 Total Employment	118,100	177,300
2003 Total Employment	111,800	171,900

Utility Connections

January	Electric	Gas	Telephone
2004	370,716	74,380	427,726
2003	360,245	75,321	427,606

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of Rio Grande Valley
Economic Indicators

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